

MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
JUNE 19, 2006

The regular meeting of the City of Monticello, Indiana Common Council was held on June 19, 2006 in the Council Chambers of the City Building at 6:00PM. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert Fox and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call by Clerk Treasurer Rennatta Berkshire was answered by Mayor Robert Fox, City Attorney George Loy, Councilpersons William Smith, Grace Oilar, Bud Mummert, Jim Mann and Jay Clawson.

There being no additions, deletions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of June 05, 2006, a motion was made by Councilperson Oilar seconded by Councilperson Smith to approve the minutes as presented. Roll call vote: all aye.

Citizen Participation

Mr. Don Miller said that parking along South Street during softball games is becoming dangerous. Cars are being parked partially on the street when the lot off of South Street is full. The speed limit is 25mph, however, it is not observed making it very dangerous when people are parked on the street and others are trying to leave the parking lot or the driveways that flow out onto South Street. Parks Superintendent Billue will observe the parking as well as the Council. Chief Reynolds will monitor parking and report to the Council at the next meeting so that a decision can be made in regards to signage. Mr. Mellon said he agrees that the parking and traffic in that area is problematic. Also the traffic on South Street when there are baseball games. Mr. Miller also asked about Spring clean-up and said he would like to be able to put things out for pick-up all year long. The Mayor reminded him that tags for large items are available in the Clerk Treasurer's office but Mr. Miller said he was referring to construction materials that he has observed being picked up during the clean up even though those materials were not to be set out and picked up. He said he had seen the City Street department picking them up after they were left by the City's haulers. His opinion is that if they are not to be placed out for pick up, then they should be left and not picked up by the City when he and others are respectful to not placing their materials out.

Request Street Closings for 2006 Festival

Dr. Peter Dyer said that the festival will be held on July 29 from 8am until 11pm. Superintendent Billue said he would place 5-6 picnic tables by the Chamber building, Street Superintendent Roberts will clean the streets after the festival before the streets are reopened, Fire Chief Logan reminded Dr. Dyer that the center of the streets need to remain clear in case an emergency vehicle would have to take that route and Dr. Dyer asked for volunteers for the dunk tank. The streets that he is requesting for closure from 5am-6pm are: Main from Harrison to Washington; Illinois from Washington to Broadway; Broadway from Illinois to Bluff. A motion was made by Councilperson Mann seconded by Councilperson Oilar to allow the request street closings from 5am-6pm for the 2006 Spirit of Monticello Festival. Roll call vote: all aye.

Jordan Manufacturing Compliance with Statement of Benefits

After reviewing the forms a motion was made by Councilperson Clawson seconded by Councilperson Smith approving the Compliance with Statement of Benefits by Jordan Manufacturing. Roll call vote: all aye.

White County Economic Development Update

Ms. Connie Neining presented an economic update. She talked about the industry visits being made for the retention/expansion of existing businesses in the county. They do have openings for qualified workers. A Community Career Fair is being planned for the end of September with booth space being \$100 at Brandywine. Prospective employers will have applications available with testing that employees go through. Ms. Neining said the reason employers are having such a difficult time finding employees is that 30% do not pass the drug test, another 25% can not pass a basic math test and most require a high school diploma. Liberty Landfill is capturing methane gas to produce electricity and can give service to 3,200 homes in the area. The landfill is also converting soy oil into biodiesel fuel which can be used to operate equipment. Water and sewer service will be provided from the Town of Wolcott to the proposed industrial development area designated as the "Wolcott Corridor". IVY Tech is considering using one of the vacated buildings at the White County Memorial Hospital. A needs assessment along with costs and other details will be done. BioTown, USA will use the White County Economic Development Organization to be the forefront for grant funds coming in for the project in Reynolds. The initiatives for the community project are technology and education and tourism.

Compliance with Statement of Benefits—Ball Metal Beverage Container Corp

After reviewing the Statement of Benefits a motion was made by Councilperson Smith seconded by Councilperson Oilar to approve the Compliance with Statement of Benefits for Ball Metal Beverage Container Corp. Roll call vote: all aye.

Accounts Payable

A motion was made by Councilperson Mann seconded by Councilperson Clawson to approve the Accounts Payable as presented by Clerk Treasurer Berkshire. Roll call vote: all aye.

Miscellaneous and All Other Matters

Attorney Loy reviewed with the Council the bids received for Waste Collection.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:30PM.

Rennatta Berkshire, IAMC, CMC, MM1
Clerk Treasurer